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For Good Dressers

L. E. HAYS & Co., Tailors,
219 W. 4th St. and 218 McFarland St.,

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 26, 1901.

Messrs. Fearnside & Co., Palatka, Fla.

Gentlemen:—We beg to advise you that our Mr. Alexander will be in your place on January 21 and 22, for the purpose of making a display. Very truly yours, L. E. HAYS & COMPANY.

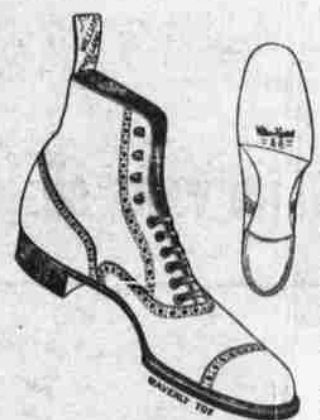
The above short letter tells a heap. Mr. Alexander is well known in Palatka as a Tailor of repute. A good Tailor improves on nature. By his art he makes up for what nature left out. If nature slighted your shoulders or chest, he'll build 'em up and make you look like a Hercules. If NATURE didn't cut you out for a rich man, he'll defy nature at that, too. Mr. Alexander can make you look rich and prosperous in one of his Spring Suits to order for \$20, \$22.50, \$25, to \$27 and \$30. We want you to make note of the dates of his visit and come look at the display, any way.

Ready to Wear Clothes.

January is a slack month in trade, usually, but we are determined to bring it to the front in business success by offering winter suits at Cut Prices. There is yet three months of coolness, but there won't be any for you if you will but get inside of some of our elegantly fitting Ready-to-Wear Suits at \$6.50, \$8, \$10, \$12 and \$15.

"Clothes don't make the man," but the man counts for more when he's in the right sort of clothes. We keep only the right sort.

Fearnside & Co., Palatka.



BEING EXCLUSIVE DEALERS IN
Ladies', Gentlemen's and Children's

FOOTWEAR,

and devoting our whole thought to the one subject of Shoes, has made for this house a reputation we are studying to keep. We strive to fit the feet of our customers with style and quality.

Our American Eagle Shoe for Men at \$3.50 and \$4 beats the world, but we have other good shoes cheaper.

We have all Styles of Ladies' Boots, and some of them are so pretty that they add beauty to the foot. Of course we are headquarters for the School Children.

H. T. Vatterlin.

JUST RECEIVED

NEW CROP OF

Landreth's Garden Seed

FOR

SPRING PLANTING

at City Drug Store,

Harry E. Stewart.

PRESCRIPTIONS

CAREFULLY COMPOUNDED.

An Opportunity For Investments.

The year 1901 was the most prosperous year Palatka has had since 1894. All of our manufacturing enterprises report satisfactory business and increasing sales.

Nearly every merchant states that his business shows an increase over the previous year.

During the past four months the sales of city real estate have exceeded, in amount, annual sales of several previous years, and prices obtained were quite satisfactory.

The statements of the banks in Palatka show larger deposits than the year of the freeze. This statement may seem incredible, but it is a fact and a most pleasing one to every right minded citizen of the county. There are a few dissatisfied persons, but nearly all are looking for and expecting greater prosperity and improvement during 1902.

Our County is producing oranges again and the prospects for an orange crop this year is most flattering.

Investors can hardly err in purchasing Lemon Street property at the right prices. I own and control Five Hundred (500) feet of unimproved Lemon Street property which I offer in lots to suit purchaser, and at prices which must be considered low. Terms of payment will be made easy.

If you have money to invest and do not care to purchase real estate, I control \$10,000 of first mortgages on Lemon Street property, all located between the Arlington Hotel and the river, which I will sell from 7 to 8% interest, payable semi-annually and the interest has always been promptly paid. Each mortgage is on business property.

If you desire to invest, I would be pleased to have you call at my office or write me.

G. Loper Bailey,
Palatka, Florida.

The World's News

Put up in Tabloid Form for
Busy People.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

Chicago has raised \$20,919 for McKinley monument fund.

F. B. Curran, noted gambler, is dead in Newcastle, Wyo.

Capt. W. W. Ker, widely-known lawyer, is dead in Philadelphia.

The postoffice at Blacksburg, S. C., has been robbed. The amount taken was small.

The Charleston Exposition set apart New Year's day as negro day at the Exposition.

Lincoln, Neb., gives \$6,000 to put a memory of bells in a local church in memory of McKinley.

Rev. C. M. Von Droste-Huelshoff, Catholic priest, son of a German noble, is dead in Lacrosse, Wis.

The rotting body of man was last week found in the steeple of a colored church near Birmingham, Ala.

Obedin college, Ohio, has raised \$300,000 and will get \$200,000 as a New Year's gift from J. D. Rockefeller.

The soap factories in the south have consolidated, and the trust will be known as the Southern Soap Association.

The President will visit the Exposition at Charleston in February, and it is thought he will be entertained by white people.

It is said that Mayor Low is suspicious that money will be used to corrupt the board of alderman. It is probable that his suspicions are well founded.

Gen. S. M. B. Young takes command of the department of the lakes March 1—headquarters in Chicago. Gen. E. S. Oris retires because of age limit March 30.

The total number of commercial failures in the United States last year was 11,092, or 253 more than in the year 1900, though the total liabilities were less.

Mayor Low took hold of his office in New York Jan. 1. Of the 35 district leaders of Tammany Hall, 18 lost their places the first day of his administration.

The wave of reform has struck New York City. Edward G. Glendon, a policeman, has been sentenced to six months imprisonment for failing to suppress a disorderly house.

Capt. R. P. Leary, first Governor of Guam, who died in the marine hospital, Chelsea, Mass., last week, had just been commissioned a rear admiral, and his commission arrived the day after his death.

Gen. Miles has resumed his duties in his office in the war department. It is said that he has decided to accept the situation with the best possible grace and will say or do nothing to continue controversy.

Gov. Pleasant Porter of Creek Nation, has been successful in his efforts to have Congressman de Graffenried of Texas prepare a bill providing for the admission of Indian boys to the West Point Military Academy.

Foraker and Hanna are having a forerunner and parrot time in Ohio over the control of the legislature. It is a question of money largely. May the best man win, and the d— take the hindmost. He's sure to get the first, anyway.

Members of Congress are securing the old, discarded desks of the House and sending them home to be kept in their families as heirlooms, to perpetuate their glory as national legislators. The present Congressmen uses mahogany desks.

John Robinson, black in face and soul, was executed at Dublin, Ga., last Friday for the murder of a negro. On the way from cell to the gallows he cursed everybody in sight. He is the only murderer of modern times who did not regard the gallows' trap as the direct elevator for heaven.

Depositors who were precipitating a run on the Dime Savings Bank, Cleveland, and in other day were given an affable smile by the teller who also handed them a card, demanding a 60 days notice of a withdrawal of their funds. The law awarded the 60 days, the bank took them, and thus saved itself and its depositors.

Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the president, was formally presented to society at a ball given in her honor at the White House last Friday night. She is the first bud presented from the White House since Miss Nellie Grant in 1873, and Nellie is now a grandmother. There were 500 present at the Roosevelt ball, and it is stated that Miss Alice was very happy.

Frank H. Peavey, millionaire of Minneapolis, who died on the 30th prox., held life insurance to the amount of \$1,000,000 which he had paid but two premiums, a total of \$97,780. Some people are pointing to his "remains" as those of a lucky dog but there are others of us who would prefer living to leaving and bequeathing even a million. The insurance will be paid promptly.

Postmaster-General says he has received a large number of telegrams and letters asking if a ruling had been made that only subscriptions to newspapers and periodicals which are paid in advance are legitimate. He said that no such ruling had been made and that he supposed the inquiries were the result of a ruling made by the third assistant postmaster-general in the case of a New York publication, the subscriptions to which were mainly induced by premiums and which ruling applied only to the conditions of that particular case or to similar conditions in other cases.

Mrs. Harry Goddard of Elgin, Ill., claims she is heir to property in the heart of Philadelphia, Pa., valued at \$215,000,000, leased by Col. Baker, an ancestor, for 99 years to the government. She says the lease expired nine years ago, and that the property must revert to her. Other Baker descendants are turning up.

Dr. C. D. Driscoll of Paoli, Ind., wrote an insulting letter to Miss Eva Miller. Eva showed the letter to gentlemen friends who advised her to horsewhip the doctor. The doctor got wind of the whipping bee, and confronted his accusers with a revolver in each hand. But he made a public apology to the girl. The men of the town then gave him 20 days to wind up his affairs and leave the place.

John Baker, an expert Michigan copper miner, just back from Mexico and Arizona, predicts that mines in that section will eventually crowd the Michigan mines to the wall for the reason that they can produce the copper cheaper. He says mines in those territories can produce copper at 4 1/2 cents delivered in New York, and that contracts can now be made at 10 cents, and will be made at less before the end of the year.

It is said that President Roosevelt's New Year's reception at the White House was more largely attended than has been usual. The President wore a holiday smile and a regulation suit. Mrs. Roosevelt was gowned in white satin heavily jeweled, with lace yoke and diamond ornaments. She carried a large bouquet of pink orchids. They said "howdy" to everybody, and seemed pleased with themselves and the manner they had been provided for by Providence.

President Pritchett, Boston Institute of Technology, has written Rev. T. M. Worthington of the Methodist ministers' association, which passed resolutions denouncing inauguration of German beer drinking customs at a recent "smoker" of the junior class, saying: "The question comes before me in this form: Shall students be allowed to come together in buildings under my control and with instruction to moderate use of beer; or shall they be sent to hotels and restaurants where all restrictions are removed? In my judgment the first position is the one that will help the boys to temperate and clean living. It has been a revelation to me to find how little the combined churches of Boston count in their influence on the character and lives of the constantly growing army of students who resort to Boston for instruction. If your purpose is to make the influence more direct and more helpful no one will welcome it so gladly as I.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Marconi has established a school of wireless telegraphy at Friton-on-the-sea, Ireland.

C. M. Wessels is to bring a letter from Kruger, from Amsterdam, to President Roosevelt this month.

Merchants and leading citizens in the Danish West Indies are opposed to the transfer of the Islands to the United States.

Colombian paper money has depreciated so that \$45 in paper money is equivalent to only \$1 in gold. The rebellion is now practically over.

Denmark, it is said, will sign the treaty ceding Danish West Indies to the United States without regard to protests in Denmark and the islands.

Dispatches from Constantinople state that W. W. Peet has established communication with the brigands who hold Miss Stone, and hopes her release will be accomplished in a few days.

President Diaz of Mexico had a joyous time on New Year's day. He celebrated the Pan-American delegates who ranked as diplomats. Diplomats are sometimes defined as liars who are not found out.

President Castro of Venezuela, declares the British steamer Ban Rigra pirate and offers \$10,000 reward for its seizure. The steamer is en route to Venezuela with munitions of war for revolutionaries.

The Pan-American Congress is tied up over arbitration. Some of the South American delegates who are controlled by home politics are making big bluffs, just for the effect it will have on their home people.

Empress Bill, of Germany, has asked Miss Alice Roosevelt, daughter of the president of the United States, to christen his new yacht soon to be built by the Townsend & Downey Co., at Shooters Island, New York.

The Crown Prince of Germany has been sent on a voyage, and it has been reported that he is suffering from jaundice, but the facts are that he has been a high roller, and his august dad has sent him into exile in the hope of weaning him of some of his extravagances.

Berlin advises say that until Dr. Schmidt-Leda, the German minister to Venezuela, arrives at Caracas, which will be about Jan. 5, nothing will be done by Herr von Pilgrim-Baldazzi, the German charge d'affaires there to press President Castro further in regard to collection of German claims.

REFORM, THE SLOGAN OF GOV. JENNINGS.

He Says Taxes on Realty

MUST BE ASSESSED AT ITS FULL
VALUE.

Tax assessors throughout the State are in receipt of a circular letter from Gov. Jennings which has put them in a flutter, and if these instructions from the head of Florida's business administration are put in full force the fluttering isn't going to begin and end with the tax-assessors. The circular in part says:

"The tax assessors are charged with the imperative duty of ascertaining all property liable to taxation and of assessing all real property at its full cash value, and all personal property at its true cash value." The County Commissioners are charged with full power to equalize the assessment of the real estate in their respective counties, and for that purpose may raise or lower the value fixed by the assessor on any particular piece of real estate, but cannot raise or lower the entire assessment of the county, their powers being only to equalize. It shall be unlawful for the County Commissioners to lower the assessment of any personal property given in by the owner or assessed by the assessor, which shall not have been specified under oath."

WHAT ASSESSING MEANS. "To assess property does not mean to copy the description and value from a tax book of a previous year, but it means that the assessor must ascertain the proper description and full cash value of all property liable to taxation. It is the duty of the assessors to make diligent inquiry and to ascertain from any and all sources, including the public records in the several county offices, what lands and other property are or are not subject to taxation. The commission allowed to assessors is to compensate for this work to be properly done. This law was enacted in 1896, and it is presumed that all officers know the law. It is their sworn duty to faithfully perform the duties of the offices they hold as prescribed by law.

It is also the imperative duty of the tax assessors to omit from the tax books all lands not subject to taxation. Among the lands not subject to taxation are those certified or sold to the State for any previous year for the non-payment of taxes unless they are sold by or redeemed from the State. The revenue law provides in section 24, that 'the assessor shall not assess any lot or parcel of land certified or sold to the State for any previous year unless such lot or parcel of land is certified or sold shall be included in the list furnished by the comptroller to the assessors as now provided by law.' Section 27 provides that 'the tax assessor shall receive no compensation for assessing lands which are not subject to taxation.' This makes it the imperative duty of the tax assessor to omit from the assessment rolls 'any lot or parcel of land certified or sold the State for any previous year' unless directed otherwise by the comptroller.

STATE MUST NOT SUFFER.

"The State will not hereafter suffer because lists of lands redeemed have not been regularly furnished the tax assessors for the reason that lands heretofore sold for non-payment of taxes had not been stricken from the tax books and for the further reason that by the comptroller's circulars, the assessors are very properly directed to omit from the tax books all and only those lands covered by the tax certificates now held by the State. The list of the certificates held by the State on September 1, 1901, are on file in the offices of clerks of the Circuit Court, and are always accessible to the assessor. With the aid of these lists the assessors can and should, under the law, ascertain from the reports of tax sales on file in the office of the clerks of the Circuit Court and of the tax collectors, every lot and parcel of land, certified or sold to the State, for any previous year covered by the certificates now held by the State in custody of the clerks, and should eliminate all of them from the assessment rolls except those reported to the assessors by the clerks each month since as redeemed or sold. This is not so difficult a task as some imagine, and even if it is, the law positively requires that it shall be done. In short, it is the sworn duty of every tax assessor to ascertain all property liable to taxation and to assess all real property at its full cash value, and all personal

THE POLITICIANS' PLAN To End the Naval Scandal

BY REVIVING THE GRADE OF
VICE-ADMIRAL

Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania has a plan to end the naval scandal, and which proposes to bring together the radicals on both sides of that disgraceful controversy. It is no less than a bill to recreate the grade of Vice-Admiral in the navy, and promoting to that rank Rear-Admirals Sampson, Schley and Clarke, the latter famous as captain of the battleship Oregon. It is stated that this compromise bill is meeting with much favor among republican senators and representatives who feel that it will do much toward healing the factionalism which has crept into naval circles with redoubled force since the war with Spain.

Both the House and Senate Committees on Naval Affairs have in their possession a great number of bills bearing on the Schley-Sampson controversy and it is thought a general promotion of the leading belligerents will tend to smooth matters.

JOE STRIPPLING WANTS HELP.

MENTAL SCIENCE NOT IN
HIS LINE.

He is in Washington to Secure
Aid in Prosecuting the
Posts.

J. N. Stripling, United States District Attorney for Florida, is in Washington this week for the purpose of urging the Department of Justice to appoint able counsel to assist him in the approaching trial of Helen Wilman-Post, the Mental Science healer, of Seabreeze, for fraudulent use of the mails. There is a strong array of legal talent for the defense and most of the lawyers for Helen have been sitting up 'o nights making a study of mental science therapeutics, and Joe, who is a better manipulator of republican politics than he is lower in metaphysical or occult matters, is a little shaky as to what will be the outcome of the trial. He feels that he needs more moral support to successfully prosecute the case than Tom Appleyard and his Florida Press Association can give. Hence his request for government aid.

It is also stated that Stripling, who has held the office so long that he feels a sort of proprietorship in it, is in Washington to counteract as far as possible the gentleman from Orlando, Hon. J. M. Cheney, who has his optics on Joe's job.

HABEAS CORPUS DENIED.

Trial and Sentence of Captain
Carter Must Stand.

The United States Supreme Court has refused to interfere in the case of Captain Oberlin M. Carter. The decision was rendered in the proceedings instituted by Captain Carter for the purpose of securing a writ of habeas corpus that would release him from prison at Leavenworth, Kansas. The case originated in the United States Circuit Court for the district of Kansas, by which the petition for a writ was denied. The opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Fuller, and affirmed the opinion of the Circuit Court.—Times Union & Citizen.

SIX WHITE MEN TO HANG.

Gov. Aycock of North Carolina
Names Feb. 25, as the Day.

Gov. Aycock of North Carolina has named Wednesday, Feb. 25, for the hanging of six white men. Such wholesale execution in one day is without precedent in that state. In each case there has been an appeal to the Supreme Court. Four men are to hang at Asheville for burglary at Emma, N. C. One is to hang at Wilson, N. C., for assassination, this being the first since the war, and one at Lincolnport, for a burglary, in which a woman was horribly cut, a child born later having on it birthmarks similar to its mother's wounds.

property at its true cash value," and it is also the sworn duty of every assessor to omit from the tax books all property, real and personal, not subject to taxation. Any information concerning value of corporate stocks, your own or from any other source, should be furnished to the assessor.